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Anadromous Water Catalog Volume Western IV
USGS Quad 73 Nunivak Island B-4
Name of Waterway Me Koryuk River
Anadromous Water Catalog Number of Waterway 335-50-10450

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USGS name _____

Local name _____

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<u>[Signature]</u> Regional Supervisor	<u>10/1/85</u> Date
<u>Tom Buccaw</u> Drafted	<u>10-18-85</u> Date

Species	Date(s) Observed	Spawning	Rearing	Migration
<u>Chinook (King)</u>	<u>Occasional</u>			<u>✓</u>

Comments: Provide any clarifying information, including number of fish observed, location of fish survey data, etc.

Mr. Ivanoff reports that every two or three years a chinook or two will be taken by subsistence fishermen in Me Koryuk River.

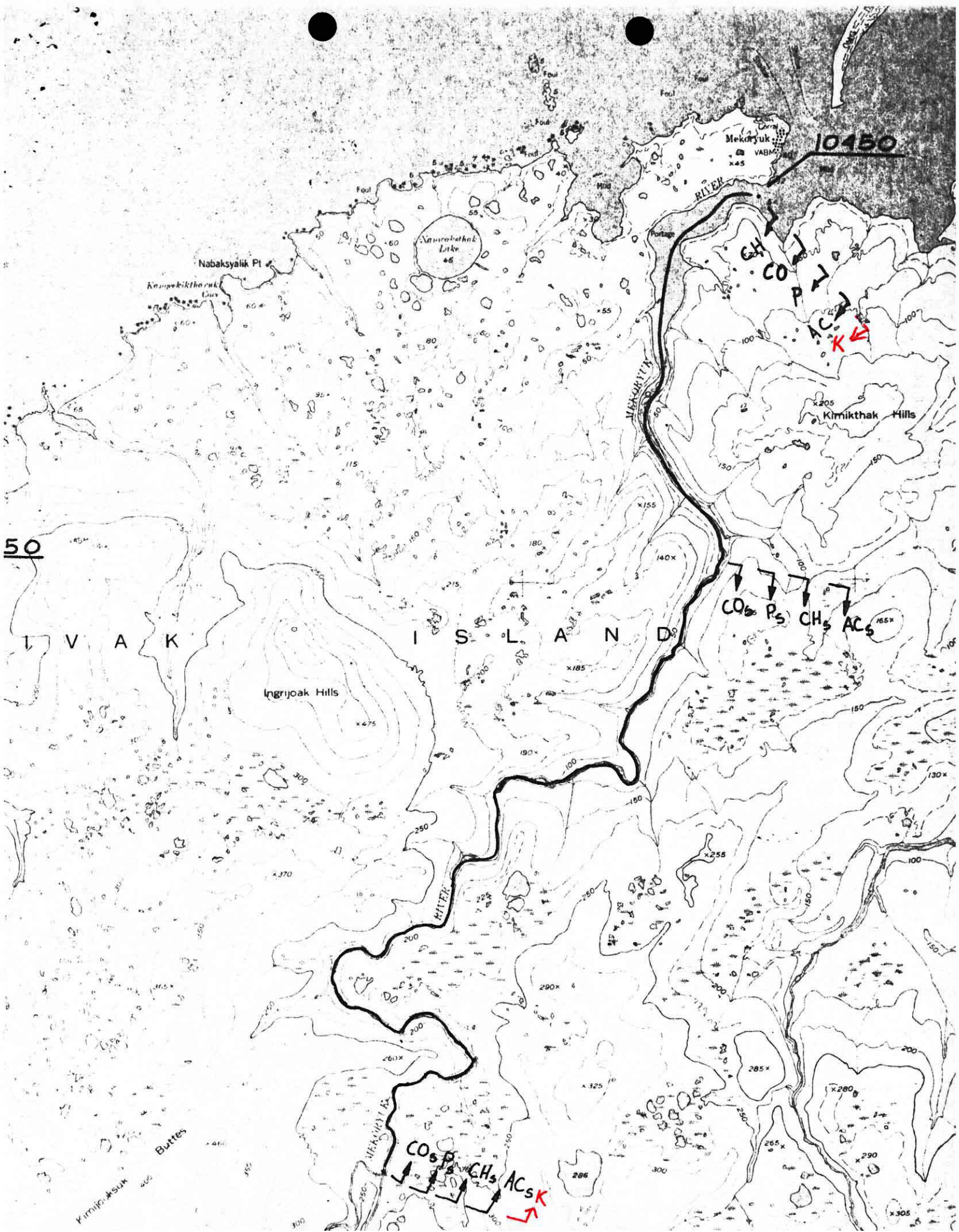
Attach a copy of a map showing location of mouth and upper points of each species, specific stream reaches identified for spawning or rearing, locations of barriers, such as falls. Attach a copy of the fish survey data, if available.

Name of Observer (please print) Mr. Henry Ivanoff

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MEMORANDUM

State of Alaska

TO: File 26.4.0

DATE: April 5, 1985

FILE NO: File 26.4.0

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FROM: Kim Francisco
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SUBJECT: Salmon on Nunivak Island

In a recent conversation with Henry Ivanoff of Mekoryuk, he passed along some general observations about the species, distribution and use of salmon on Nunivak Island. Mr. Ivanoff is a lifelong resident of Nunivak Island and has worked for both the ADF&G and U.S.F.W.S. He is well respected for the quality of his observations and work in both agencies.

While touring the Island on snow machines, Mr. Ivanoff pointed out two fish camps on the Mekoryuk River about 2 miles upstream from Mekoryuk. The floats for the set nets were frozen in place in the river and their location would indicate the nets are 10 to 15 fathoms in length.

Coho salmon were the primary catch from the Mekoryuk River although chum and pink salmon are also taken. He also mentioned that once every 2 or 3 years a king (chinook) salmon is taken from the Mekoryuk River.

A number of camps used as shelter in the winter and for various other activities through the year appear on the USGS of Nunivak Island maps. We did not get into great detail, but he did say that the camp on Duchikmiut River was primarily a salmon camp. It also became obvious that every major (named) drainage is fished for salmon and "trout" (char) for subsistence.

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